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Title:

NEW SEQUENCES OF HEPATITIS C VIRUS GENOTYPES AND THEIR USE AS THERAPEUTIC AND DIAGNOSTIC AGENTS

1634 Examiner: Martinell

Date: June 2, 2006

(1) Amendment; and

Attachment:

(2) Notification dated February 2, 1995 from Serial No. 08/362,455

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER

This is a response/amendment/letter to the Office Action dated March 2, 2006, in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

☐ Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached.

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Independent claims after amendment

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AMENDMENT

Responsive to the Official Action dated March 2, 2006, entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks are requested.